

II. Claim Amendments

1. - 9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently amended) A camera card for collecting data in the form of images only when in association with a host computer, said camera card comprising:

a card shaped body having an interface conforming to the standard for ~~-a first portion constructed having physical dimensions corresponding with those of a standard PCMCIA circuit card-~~ cards and adapted to be received in a PCMCIA compatible card slot of said host computer,

an optical unit contained in the body comprising optics for acquiring image data and further comprising a processing unit for connection to a processor of the host computer through the interface for transmitting said acquired image data to the host computer; and

wherein the optics are ~~-the camera card further comprising a second portion integrated with the first portion, said second portion including optics built in said second portion for obtaining image information said second portion being configured to be external to the host computer when said camera card is in use.~~

11. (previously presented) A camera card according to claim 10, wherein the camera card comprises a memory unit with at least volatile and non-volatile memory.

12. (previously presented) A camera card according to claim 11, further comprising a power supply for providing power to maintain obtained image information in said memory unit.

13. (previously presented) A camera card according to claim 10, wherein the camera card comprises a semiconductor image sensor.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently Amended) A camera card according to claim ~~13~~¹⁰, further comprising a software program for performing a character recognition task on image information obtained by said image sensor to generate a set of recognized characters.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Currently Amended) A camera card according to claim ~~13~~¹⁰, further comprising a software program for performing a pattern recognition task on a graphical object in image information obtained by said image sensor.

19. (Cancelled)

20-26. (Cancelled)

27. (previously presented) A host computer adapted to be associated with a camera card according to claim 10.

28. (previously presented) A host computer according to claim 27, wherein the host computer is a personal communication device.